

Chepachet Fire District ANNUAL MEETING June 09, 2012

The Annual Meeting was called to order at by Moderator Kevin Kitson. Polls declared open at 8:30am and closed at 9:00am. Polls closed as prescribed by Section 2 of article 2.1.1 of the By-Laws.

The Annual Meeting came to order at 9:00am with 17 voters present.

The Executive Committee's proposed slate of officers was unopposed and one ballot was cast for the slate for fiscal year 2012-13 which is as follows:

Moderator: Kevin J. Kitson – 1 yr term (exp. 2013)

Tax Assessor: James O Chase - 3years (Exp. 2015)

Executive Board: George Leonhardt – 3 years (Exp. 2015)

Eric Croft - 3 Years (Exp. 2015)

Motion made by Mr. Hainsorth for the secretary to cast one ballot, second by Mr. Lohr and passed 17-0

Secretary's Annual Report for June 11, 2011:

Motion made by Mr. Hainsworth to accept report as submitted and place on file, second by Mrs. Martone and passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Written Report indicating all income and expenses from July 1, 2011 to May 31st, 2012 was submitted by Mr.

David Steere, Treasurer. Motion made by Mr. Hainsworth to accept report as submitted and place on file and Mr. Hainsworth also thanked the Treasurer for doing a great job, second Mr. Lohr and passed unanimously.

Tax Collector's Report: Written report from July 1, 2011 to May 31st, 2012 was submitted by Mrs. Svansson, Tax Collector. Motion made by Mr. Lohr to accept report as submitted, second by Mrs. Martone and passed unanimously.

Chief's Report: Written report from July 1st, 2011 to May 31st, 2012 was submitted by Chief Dauphinais. Motion made by Mrs. Martone to accept report as submitted and Mr. Hainsworth also thank Chief for doing an excellent job, second by Mr. Hainsworth and passed unanimously.

Proposed Budget:

A Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year for 2012 - 2013 was submitted. The Proposed Budget is in the amount of \$506,666.00.

Motion by Mr. Hainsworth to approve proposed budget of \$506,666 to be for the Fiscal Year 2012 – 2013, second by Mrs. Martone.

Motion made by Chief Dauphinais to increase the budget by \$10,000 for line item Chepachet Fire Banquet the funds to be taken from surplus and to amend the proposed budget to show the increase,

second Mr. Hainsworth and passed unanimously.

Mr. Hainsworth explained that the additional \$10,000 will be used for the Department 100th Anniversary it's a onetime expenditure. Mr. Hainsworth also pointed out the last year's budget was well under budget and that the funds will be taken from surplus and not be raising taxes to cover this expenditure.

Motion made by Mr. Hainsworth to approve the proposed budget to include the amendment of \$10,000 to now be a total budget of \$516,666 for fiscal year 2012/2013, second by Chief Dauphinais and passed unanimously.

Old Business: No Old Business

New Business:

1. Request for Authorization to use Navigant Credit Union as the lender for the purchase of the new fire truck:

a. Treasurer Mr. Steere is looking for authorization from the tax payers to procure a loan from Navigant CU for the purchase of the new fire truck. In addition Mr. Steere will need to become a member of the credit union to be able to be a signer on the accounts. Mr. Newman is already a member with Navigant and will be the second signer on the accounts.

Motion made by Mrs. Martone to approve that the Treasurer Mr. Steere procure a loan from Navigant for the new Fire Truck and his memberships with Navigant to be included, second by Mr. Hainsworth passed unanimously.

Resolutions:

1. BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BE GRANTED THE AUTHORITY TO AUTHORIZE THE TREASURER TO TRANSFER UNEXPENDED BALANCES FROM THE FUNDS OF ANY APPROPRIATION TO ANOTHER SHOULD THE NEED ARISE AND A SURPLUS BE AVAILABLE

2. BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BE GRANTED THE AUTHORITY TO EXCEED THE TOTAL EXPENDITURES AS APPROVED IN THE BUDGET TO THE EXTENT OF ANY GRANTS RECEIVED DURING THE FISCAL YEAR.

3. BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TAX ASSESSORS AND THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SET THE TAX RATE, NOT TO EXCEED 1 MIL OR 10 CENTS PER \$100 (ONE HUNDRED) DOLLARS OF VALUE.

Mrs. Shields read all Resolutions. Motion made by Mr. Lohr to accept the resolutions as read, second Mrs. Martone and passed unanimously.

Reading of Tax Assessment Report:

It was noted that the electors of the Chepachet Fire District at a meeting legally assembled on this day of June 09, 2012 hereby orders the assessment and collection of fire tax on the land and buildings of the Chepachet Fire District and tangible personal property at the sum not to exceed 1 MIL or 10 Cents per hundred dollars of the value thereof. Said tax is for the ordinary expenses and indebtedness of said district.

The assessors of taxes shall assess and apportion said tax on the buildings and improvements and tangible personal property of said district on the 31st day of October 2012 A.D. at twelve noon and shall on completion of said assessment date, certify and sign the same and deliver to the treasurer of said district on the 31st day of October 2012 A.D. The treasurer, on receipt of said assessment, shall forthwith issue and affix said assessment, a warrant under her/his hand, directed to the collector of said taxes of said district, commanding her/him to proceed and collect said taxes from persons and estates thereof.

Such taxes shall be due and payable on the 2nd day of January 2013 A.D. and all taxes remaining unpaid on the 2nd day of March 2013 A.D. shall carry a penalty of 10% (10 percent) until paid.

All taxes remaining unpaid by the 31st day of March 2013 A.D. shall be collected by law. It was further noted that the Executive Committee of the Chepachet Fire District be given power to abate all uncollectible taxes.

Mrs. Shields read the Tax Assessment Warrant and a motion was made by Mr. Lohr to accept Tax Assessment Warrant as read, second by Mrs. Martone and passed unanimously.

Mr. Kitson asked if there are any additional questions or comments.

Chief Dauphinais asked everyone present to please give Mr. Jamie Hainsworth a round of applause. Mr. Hainsworth has been on the Chepachet Executive Committee Board for 15 years and given his support and dedication to this community and the members of the Chepachet Fire Company. Chief thanks Mr. Hainsworth thanks Mr. Hainsworth for all he has done. Chief Dauphinais presented Mr. Hainsworth with a gift.

Mr. Hainsworth thanked everyone and expressed how he has been part of many Board and Committee throughout his career but this is one of the best. Mr. Hainsworth stated with the District has such good board members and officers that it's been a pleasure to be part of such a great organization. He started off with Jigg's and as soon as he completed his first meeting Jigg's advised him that he did realize that if he ever chose to leave that he would have to find his

own replacement. Eric Croft will be stepping in as Mr. Hainsworth replacement and he has volunteered a lot of his life and EMA background as well as was previously on the committee before and will do well for the District.

Mr. Hainsworth also thanked the Treasurer, Tax Collector, Clerk and Chief and Board Members and members of the Chepachet Fire Department. Mr. Hainsworth expressed how much he really enjoyed his time serving on the Board and thanked everyone for all their dedication. He is proud to see how the department has kept its volunteerism and proud of how well the department is run.

With no further business to discuss at this time motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Lohr, second by Mr. Hainsworth and passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:18am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Darlene Shields

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District Clerk, Chepachet Fire District